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- 3. The German Seed Company has at its disposal 530,000 tons of certified seed potatoes. The total requirement (on a basis of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  tons per hectare) is 2,500,000 tons, and, therefore, 2,000,000 tons should be held by farmers, state farms, and cooperatives if the spring sowing is to be carried out. The Bürgermeister in the Zone have received instructions to make every effort to procure as much as possible of the deficit of 450,000 tons of eating potatoes (cf. paragraph 2 above). Orders have been given for the inspection of farms and for confiscation. Not only the farmers, but also the local administrations, are resisting this order, since they are responsible for proper planting. Many Bürgermeister and Bezirksrat chairmen are saying that no potato is to be taken from the village of the Kreis before the requirement for seed potatoes is met.
- 4. Grains for fodder are hardly available. Imports from the Soviet Union have only been a fraction of what they should have been. During the first quarter of 1954, 80,000 tons of wheat, 65,000 tons of rye, 20,000 tons of barley and 15,000 tons of oats have been received from the USSR. Of these, the cats and barley have already been used, but 500,000 tons are required before the next harvest, as frader. Most of the trade and industrial pig farms can have enough fodder until March 31. The Ministry of Agriculture is receiving constant inquiries as to what should happen after that time. The fattening contracts with individual farmers for 1,000,000 pigs are not included in these estimates of requirements.

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